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NAVY SEEKS NEW PROVING GROUND

Wrecking of Indian Head House Hastens Decision.

Rear Admiral Joseph Strauss, chief of ordnance of the Navy Department, said last night that the proving grounds for the government's big guns soon will be moved from Indian Head, Md.

The change has been considered for more than a year, but the decision to seek a new testing field for big projectiles was precipitated when a sixteen-inch shell, traveling at almost incredible speed, passed directly through the dwelling of Mrs. Mary Swann, several miles from the grounds.

The government will retain the Indian Head location for the testing of smaller guns and projectiles, but the sixteen-inch shells, capable of penetrating the thickest armor plate, will be tested at a new site, where the danger of accidents will be minimized.

"We have been considering this change for over a year," said Admiral Strauss, "and while the new location has not been selected, it will be chosen within a short time."

It is probable that the new proving grounds will be adjacent to the prospecting of the government's armor plate plant. The general board of the navy, with Secretary Daniels, is now inspecting locations for this new Federal industry, and when the selection is made, the availability of the site for the proving grounds will be among the things considered.

The activities of the Navy Department gunners at Indian Head have resulted in several minor accidents, but the last two years, and the difficulty of policing the property properly is another disadvantage that has brought about the decision in favor of a new location. It would take more than 600 men properly to guard the Indian Head property from spies or persons disposed to blow it up.

Government officials are greatly pleased with the result of the test of the 16-inch projectile, thought it partially wrecked the home of the Swanns.

It was the first 16-inch gun ever fired in the United States and the marksmen underestimated its penetrating power. The engine of death plowed through the thickest armor plate, through a large and bank, and then continued on its course through the upper part of the Swann house and fell in the yard after spending its force. Mrs. Swann and her children were in the kitchen and thus escaped injury. Her husband, employed at the proving grounds, was one of the crew that fired the monster gun.

COMPROMISE OPPOSED IN ARMOR PLANT FIGHT

Washington Site's Backers Not Ready for Switch to Alexandria.

"We are standing by our guns. After hearing all the arguments for the location of a government armor plate plant in other communities, I am convinced that none surpassed and few equalled the arguments that Washington was able to offer," said President P. T. Moran, of the Chamber of Commerce, last night.

President Moran said the local committee would not compromise and urge a site in Alexandria until it was certain that there was no possibility of the District being awarded the \$10,000,000 plant.

Chamber of Commerce officials have received scores of letters indorsing their fight for the location of the plant here, and among these were communications from mayors and officials of cities who believe the new industry should be near the seat of the national government.

The general board of the navy will inspect the District site at Buzzards Point with a view to learning the actual water depth there and along the forty-five-acre water front location offered by Alexandria.

Secretary Daniels plans to divide the country into zones, and have the principal sites inspected by him.

Suggestion was made to the Navy Department that it might be possible to purchase the plant of the Washington Ordnance Company, at Georgetown, and move it to Alexandria.

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THREE MORE SHIPS GO DOWN, 47 LOSING LIVES

(By the International News Service.)

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MRS. RAOUL WINS DIVORCE.

Legal Battle, Involving Former Wife of Upton Sinclair, Ends.

Augusta, Ga., Sept. 15.—The marital difficulties of the late Upton Sinclair, which have smoldered in Georgia courts for many months, were cleared away today when the Superior Court granted a divorce with alimony to Mrs. Winifred Raoul, the pretty 30-year-old wife of William Green Raoul, wealthy Socialist.

Mrs. Raoul named Mrs. Meta Fuller Sinclair, divorced wife of Upton Sinclair, the author, as co-respondent. Mrs. Raoul was twenty years younger than her husband.

BRITISH COLUMBIA "DRY." Woman Suffrage Also Wins Victory in Election.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 15.—Practically complete returns from yesterday's election assured the adoption of prohibition and woman suffrage in British Columbia. The Liberals won an overwhelming victory, and will control the next legislature, 380 to 14.

U. S. Super-Dreadnought to Be Ready October 15

(By International News Service.)

New York, Sept. 15.—Although the super-Dreadnought Arizona, newly completed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, should have become a part of the fleet today, she will not go into commission until October 15.

A famine of enlisted men is the cause of the delay. Destroyers and second line ships have been depleted of men in her favor until they are seriously undermanned, and still she is far from having a crew.

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APPROVAL GIVEN GENERAL STRIKE

Central Federated Union, of N. Y. Favors Walk-Out.

(By the International News Service.)

New York, Sept. 15.—Recommendation for a sympathetic strike of 75,000 trades unionists in behalf of the carmen was made tonight by the Central Federated Union at a special meeting held in the Labor Temple.

Sanction of such a strike by the parent organization is tantamount to an order for the men to quit work.

Ernest Boehm, the secretary of the Temple Federated Union, said the strike would begin some time between tomorrow and Monday.

After adopting unanimously the resolution of the committee of five, which last Sunday recommended a general sympathetic strike of all trades, the Central Federated Union passed the following motion:

"The general strike, No. 1, the Water Boatmen's Union, Longshoremen, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, engineers, firemen, plumbers and such other trades whose labor is keeping the traction cars running, stop work, and we guarantee to support them fully to the end."

"We also have decided upon a general boycott of all railroads in New York against such a strike has been declared," said Secretary Boehm.

The committee of five will arrange at once for picketing the various lines. All secretaries of the unions affiliated with the Central Federation have been instructed to keep in constant touch with the parent organization.

NOTE FOUND BY CANAL; MAN MAY BE SUICIDE

W. N. Brockwell, 60 Years Old, Federal Printer, Missing.

William N. Brockwell, 60 years old, 1339 Morse street northeast, employed at the Government Printing Office as a proofreader, is believed to have committed suicide yesterday afternoon by plunging into the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, a short distance above Lock No. 1.

Officials to recover the body.

A coat, umbrella and hat, identified by a son, found on the towpath, and a note, supposed to have been written by Brockwell, are the clues which lead the police to believe the aged government employee is a suicide.

The note, which was written on a union labor newspaper reads: "You will find my body in the canal. The note was left beside the coat, hat and umbrella."

John Willard, who attends lock No. 1, about a mile above the District line, stated last night that he saw a man walking up the towpath yesterday afternoon with a coat on his arm, and carrying an umbrella.

Some time later, Willard says, a driver of canal mules, noticed a coat, hat and umbrella lying on the towpath. He notified the district engineer, who believed that the dockkeeper went to the scene to make investigation.

Finding the coat, hat, umbrella and note, Willard notified the Montgomery County authorities. Investigation was made, with the result that it was believed that Brockwell took his own life.

Brockwell was well known in labor circles in Washington. He was popular among his associates, and according to members of the force at the Government Printing Office, was one of the best known and liked men in the service.

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Telegraph Tips

Jersey City, N. J., Sept. 15.—Andrew K. Salter playfully tapped a one-pound shell, a souvenir of the Black Tom Island explosion, with a hammer. Andrew lost the souvenir, the hammer and two fingers.

Shenandoah, Pa., Sept. 15.—Ringtown has an epidemic of black diphtheria, and since Sunday six cases have been reported, with two deaths.

Paris, Sept. 15.—The syndicate of French newspaper proprietors has decided to cut the Gonville and cutting their newspapers in half. All the dailies in the syndicate, no matter what their size or price, will until the end of the war, appear twice a week, with half the present number of pages.

Quincy, Mass., Sept. 15.—The steamship Edward Luckenbach, the first of five large oil burning freighters under construction for the Fore River Shipbuilding Corporation for the Luckenbach Line, has been launched here.

Madrid, Sept. 15.—The Liberal reports that the situation created by the paper famine and the heavy increase of printing expenses is so serious that several Spanish newspapers will be compelled soon to suspend publication, being already on the verge of bankruptcy.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 15.—Their titanic display arranged with a rockslide blocked the railroad, J. Frank Hanly and Dr. Ira Landrith, prohibitionist candidates for President and Vice President, had to abandon their campaign in central Washington.

Mayetta, Kan., Sept. 15.—Pottawatomie Indians soon will institute legal proceedings to gain possession of the Chicago lake front from Michigan avenue to the edge of the lake. It has been announced following a tribal council.

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 15.—Henry Wright, farmer, shot and instantly killed his wife and then himself after a quarrel over the money for the sale of a hog.

Berlin, Sept. 15.—Copenhagen despatches to the Overseas News Agency state that business has been completely suspended by a number of British ports, owing to the large number of transports carrying home wounded and dead from the French front.

Mexico City, Sept. 15.—Alfonso Santibanez, who assassinated Jesus Carranza, nephew of Gen. Carranza, and killed the former federal general, Rafael Equiz, has been killed in a quarrel at Zihuatlan by Aurelio Hernandez, a Felicista, it was learned today.

Havana, Sept. 15.—Scissors all over the island will be requested soon to submit designs for \$10,000,000 worth of Cuban troops in the war for Cuban independence. A prize of \$10,000 will be offered for the best design.

Peabody, Kans., Sept. 15.—Albert Cartwright, who would have celebrated his one hundred and second birthday November 8, died at his home near here yesterday.

Bayonne, N. J., Sept. 15.—To eliminate the babel of tongues and Americanize the laboring body of the city, the school board has voted to teach English to all alien residents, who comprise 50 per cent of Bayonne's 70,000 inhabitants.

Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 15.—Matthew Mindy, a newboy, was held under \$500 bond here charged with selling New York Jackson, and Cincinnati newspapers containing liquor advertisements. The case, which will be heard today, is the first of its kind to be brought here under Georgia's new prohibition law.

New York, Sept. 15.—A ladder across the entrance to the home of Hughes Committee's offices today stopped two superstitious feminine enrollers who "didn't want to hoodoo Hughes."

Dallas, Tex., Sept. 15.—Dallas' \$5,000,000 union passenger station was opened to the general public today. It is patterned after the big new Kansas City Terminal.

New York, Sept. 15.—Rudolph De Cordova, author and dramatist, and Mrs. Alicia Ramsey, who has collaborated with him in writing many plays, have been married at the home of Mr. De Cordova's sister.

New York, Sept. 15.—Five hundred teamsters, comprising Local No. 84 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, voted to strike the Mutual McDermott Dairy Corporation refused to grant their demand for \$21 a week.

New York, Sept. 15.—A Bronx lot has been sold for \$10 at foreclosure sale by James J. Donovan. The buyer was Carolyn Freedman, the plaintiff. The defendants were Francisco Attardo and others. The lot is 25 by 100 feet, on the corner of 21st street, 80 feet west of Roosevelt avenue. The sum due was \$757, plus taxes for \$22.

Rome, Sept. 15.—A new papal nuncio is going to Vienna immediately with an autograph letter from the Pope to Emperor Francis Joseph, according to the Messaggero.

London, Sept. 15.—Friedrich von Freytag-Loringhoven, former quartermaster general, has been appointed chief of the reserve general staff, according to a dispatch to the Central News.

Utica, N. Y., Sept. 15.—Burned barns, hay, farming implements and live stock, aggregating a loss in central New York of many thousands of dollars, was the story told today by the telephone wires after communication with rural communities had been restored, following last night's terrific storm. It was the most severe electrical storm of the season.

New York, Sept. 15.—Changes in the management of the International News Service took effect today. R. A. Farrelly, who for some years has been its general manager, retires. He is succeeded by John Travers, of Cornwall, who remained on his post during the action, although mortally wounded, was awarded the Victoria Cross. Sub-Lieut. Price Albert, R. N., has been recommended for commendation for service.

Vessel Escapes Breakers.

San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 15.—The Alaskan bark, Star of Chile, which was reported in the breakers south of here early today, was safely anchored off shore shortly before noon today. Tugs, which were sent from San Francisco when word of the vessel's plight was received here, reported that all on board were safe and that the ship was not seriously damaged.

Norwegian Steamer Sunk.

London, Sept. 15.—The Norwegian steamer Ethel, 1,122 tons, has been sunk, Lloyds announce.

NOT READY YET TO QUIT MEXICO

Gen. Bliss Addresses Commissioners—Board Depressed.

(By the International News Service.)

New London, Conn., Sept. 15.—Gen. Tasker Bliss explained to the Carranza peace commissioners today why the American troops should not be withdrawn from Mexico just now. The Mexicans seemed much depressed by the general's advice. Their plans for the celebration of the Mexican day of independence tomorrow were revoked.

It was the General's first talk with the Carranza envoys. Hitherto he had only conferred with the American delegates. To obtain greater privacy the entire commission went aboard the navy yacht Sybil.

Asked by Luis Cabrera, head of the Mexican delegation, if a Mexican army could not now be substituted for the American soldiers, Gen. Bliss pointed out the dangers of such a change.

Senor Cabrera and his two colleagues, Senor Pani and Bonillas, left New London tonight for New York. It became officially known tonight that the joint commission would consider the following matters next week:

1.—The responsibility of Mexico to protect the American border should troops be withdrawn, the theory of the American members of the commission being that the burden of this responsibility should be assumed by Mexico.

2.—The preparation for some consideration of claims by American citizens against Mexico.

3.—The consideration of the claims of American property owners in Mexico that their property is being confiscated, either by excessive taxation or by decrees of forfeiture.

4.—The consideration of decrees under which the American citizens have been driven out of Mexico or not permitted to practice their professions or carry on their business contrary to treaty stipulations.

5.—The right to forfeit lands owned by foreigners upon ground that they have not used their property during the period when it was not possible to gain access to it.

In their pursuit of the Bulgars they took the village of Ekan, driving the defenders back twelve miles. Twenty-five cannon and prisoners, as yet uncounted, fell into Serbian hands.

Simultaneously the Allied right wing forced by the British on the Struma River, took by storm the town of Makovo and two points to the north, immediately retreating themselves. They took 100 prisoners and ten machine guns.

Meanwhile the French, in the center, between the Vardar and Lake Doiran, also pushed their lines forward. They scored an advance half a mile deep on a front of about a mile.

FARMER FACES CHARGE OF KILLING CHILD

R. E. Shipley, of Sunshine, Md., Held After Infant's Death.

Robert E. Shipley, a farmer near Sunshine, Md., is held in the Rockville, Md., jail, charged with the murder of a child, the verdict of a coroner's jury as to the cause of the death of his year-old child.

The father, it is alleged, roughly handled the child yesterday, inflicting injuries which caused the baby's death.

Mrs. Shipley ran from the house after the coroner's jury was sworn, ostensibly to go to the spring for water and telephoned to Deputy Sheriff Darby, of Gaithersburg, asking for her husband's arrest. Darby telephoned Sheriff Preston Hewitt, of Gaithersburg, for instructions and was told to arrest Shipley.

When Darby reached the Shipley home, Shipley had left in a borrowed buggy. Later he was overtaken and arrested.

An autopsy was held last night on the child's body by Dr. C. H. Mannar, of Bethesda, Md., and Dr. Clinton N. De Vilbiss, of Laytonville, Md. Their finding was that the child had died from a hemorrhage caused by an impact with some soft body. Dr. Mannar said no bones were fractured.

A preliminary hearing will be held this morning at the Rockville Court House.

U. S. SHIP TO RESCUE AMERICANS IN SYRIA

The United States cruiser Des Moines will leave Barcelona, Spain, immediately for a Syrian port to take on wayward American women and children refugees, it was stated at the Navy Department yesterday.

The State Department has instructed the Embassy at Constantinople to arrange for their transportation, and it is expected that they will embark at Jaffa. The Des Moines will discharge medical supplies at Jaffa and then proceed with the Americans to an Egyptian or Italian port.

SCORES AUSTRIAN POLICY.

Hungarian Leader Attacks Military Administration.

Budapest, Sept. 14, via Amsterdam. Sept. 15.—Count Albert Apponyi, leader of the opposition, made a sharp attack on the military administration in the Hungarian Parliament.

Count Apponyi declared that a grave defeat had been administered to the dual monarchy's army at Lutsk by the Russians, which the government had attempted to conceal.

"This completely changed the Austrians' eastern front," he asserted. "It is necessary that we should receive guarantees that there be no recurrence of such a disaster."

JUTLAND HONORS AWARDED.

British Naval Heroes Rewarded by Royal Government.

London, Sept. 15.—Honors awarded as a result of the Jutland battle are enumerated by the Official Gazette today as follows:

Admiral Sir John Jellicoe, Order of Merit; Vice Admiral Sir David Beatty, Knight of the Grand Cross of the Bath; Rear Admiral Sir F. C. D. Sturdee, Companion of the Bath; and St. George.

The boy John Travers, of Cornwall, who remained on his post during